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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, JO, SA
SUBJECT: SAG PAYMENTS FOR JORDANIAN FMS CREDIT LOANS

REF: A) JIDDA 1167, B) AMMAN 1351

1. IN FURTHER EFFORT TO CLARIFY MATTER OF WHAT YEARS THE \$150 MILLION SAUDI GRANT TO JORDAN COVERS, DATT TODAY VISITED MG ABD AL-HADI MAJALI, ASST CHIEF OF STAFF FOR OPNS, JORDAN ARMED FORCES. MAJALI STILL INSISTENT THAT IT INTENDED TO COVER ONLY 1976 AND 1977 FMS CREDITS, AND THE PAYMENTS WERE THEREFORE SCHEDULED ACCORDING TO THE DATES THE FY 1976 AND 1977 PAYMENTS SHOULD BE DUE. HE AGAIN MADE THE POINT THAT 1975 FMS CREDIT IS ANOTHER MATTER FOR WHICH SAUDI FINANCE MINISTRY ALREADY HAS INSTRUCTIONS TO PAY.

2. MAJALI UNDERSTANDS US PROBLEMS ON EXTENDING FMS CREDITS WHEN SAUDI AND JORDANIAN VERSIONS OF THE INTENT OF THE \$150M GRANT DIFFER. HE FIRST SUGGESTED THAT ONE WAY OF CLARIFYING SAUDI INTENTIONS WOULD BE TO WAIT AND SEE IF SAG MAKES THE PAYMENT DUE ON 30 JUNE 1978 FOR 1975 FMS CREDIT. HE THEN SAID HE WOULD
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SEND CABLE TO JORDANIAN AMBASSADOR IN SAUDI ARABIA, ASKING HIM TO OBTAIN CLARIFICATION FROM THE SAUDI ARABIAN MONETARY AGENCY AND FINANCE MINISTRY AND THEN TO DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH U.S. EMBASSY IN JIDDA.

3. WE BELIEVE JORDANIAN AMBASSADOR'S REQUEST MUST ELICIT CLARIFICATION OF SITUATION TO EMBASSY JIDDA WITHOUT

REQUIRING ANY FURTHER APPROACHES TO SAUDIS ON EMBASSY
JIDDA'S PART.
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